



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS  
FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION  
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION  
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374-A  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012  
<http://board.co.la.ca.us/blc>**

**Wednesday, November 19, 2014**

**9:00 AM**

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (14-5348)

**Attachments:** [AUDIO](#)

Present: President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée Campbell and Secretary Sara Vasquez

Absent: Commissioner Shan Lee and Commissioner James Barger

**1. Call to Order. (14-5255)**

**In the absence of a quorum, President Afriat, acting as a hearing officer, called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.**

**President Afriat advised the applicants that due to the lack of a quorum, Commissioners would be acting as hearing officers until such time that a quorum is met. The applicants agreed to proceed with the hearing. Vice President Campbell joined the meeting at 9:10 a.m. constituting a quorum.**

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER**

**2. Approval of Minutes for the meeting of October 8, 2014. (14-5309)**

**On motion of Secretary Vasquez, seconded by President Afriat, and unanimously carried by the following vote, this item was approved.**

**Ayes: 3 - President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée Campbell and Secretary Sara Vasquez**

**Attachments:** [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

**II. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

3. Hearing on application for issuance of new Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit to Lydia Cincore-Templeton for Advancement through Opportunity and Knowledge, Inc., located at 1200 W. 37th Pl., Los Angeles, CA 90007 in the Second District (Continued from meeting of 11/19/14). (14-5314)

**Note: This item was tabled and discussed after Agenda Item No. 7, to allow Vice President Renee Campbell time to join the meeting.**

**Vice President Campbell joined the meeting and recused herself due to possible conflict of interest.**

**Lydia Cincore-Templeton representative for Advancement through Opportunity and Knowledge, Inc. Ms. Cincore-Templeton indicated that the organization was founded over 20 years ago to serve the African and Japanese orphans; the organization currently provides legal services to foster youth with the assistance of pro-bono attorneys. The organization solicits for funds to provide the foster youth with gifts during Christmas. Ms. Cincore-Templeton also indicated that the organization created a model education program, works in collaboration with nine school districts and has recently obtained a contract with Los Angeles County. Funding is provided through a mix of private and government grants; the organization currently serves approximately 2,000 foster youth.**

**President Afriat and Secretary Vasquez thanked Ms. Cincore-Templeton for her service.**

**In response to questions posed by President Afriat, Ms. Cincore-Templeton confirmed that financial decisions are made by board members and agreed to require two signatures on checks.**

**On motion of President Afriat, seconded by Secretary Vasquez, as hearing officers, recommend to the Commission approval of the issuance of the new Information Card.**

**On motion of President Afriat, seconded by Secretary Vasquez, as hearing officers, recommend to the Commission to receive the Notice of Intention to Solicit.**

**President Afriat asked staff to place this item on the next agenda.**

**LaTayvius Alberty, County Counsel, suggested to the Commission that a special meeting via teleconference can be held for the approval of this item. President Afriat and Secretary Vasquez agreed to hold a special meeting via teleconference on Friday, November 21, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. President Afriat asked staff to obtain a quorum with the other members, excluding Vice President Campbell.**

**Ayes:** 2 - President Steven Afriat and Secretary Sara Vasquez

**Recuse:** 1 - Vice President Renée Campbell

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4. Hearing on application for Bingo Manager, Business License ID# 141666, to issue a new license to Steve R. Barba of Friends of Steinmetz Park Senior Center, located at 1545 S. Stimson Ave., Hacienda Heights, CA 91745 in the Fourth District. (14-5284)

**Steve R. Barba, representative for Friends of Steinmetz Park Senior Center, provided a brief overview of the business. In response to questions posed by President Afriat, Mr. Barba indicated that Friends of Steinmetz Park Senior Center is located in the city of Hacienda Heights and has been in existence for approximately 15 years. The center has been operating Bingo games for 12 years. Mr. Barba added that the current bingo manager has retired and he will be succeeding the position; Mr. Barba confirmed that he has read and understands the Bingo Manager Ordinance.**

**On motion of President Afriat, seconded by Secretary Vasquez, and unanimously carried by the following vote, the Commission approved the aforementioned license:**

**Ayes:** 3 - President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée Campbell and Secretary Sara Vasquez

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5. Hearing on application for Water Taxi Operator, Business License ID# 139761, to issue a new license to Tiki Mermaid, Nadia Lustman, located at 13755 Fiji Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292 in the Fourth District. (14-5285)

**At the request of the Treasurer and Tax Collector, this item will be referred back to their office.**

**On motion of President Afriat, seconded by Vice President Campbell, this item was referred back to the Treasurer and Tax Collector's office.**

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6. Hearing on application for Health Spa/Club, Business License ID# 139114, to issue a new license to 24 Hour Fitness USA Inc., /Kimberly D. Griffin, Vice President and Corporate Counsel of 24 Hour Fitness, located at 2180 Lincoln Ave., Altadena, CA 91001 in the Fifth District. (14-5286)

**Rita Bowman, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that the application is for a Health Spa Club business license. The applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals; TTC has no objection to the issuance of the license.**

**Hytham Elsherif, representative for 24 Hour Fitness, provided a brief overview of the business. In response to questions posed by Secretary Vasquez, Mr. Elsherif indicated that the health spa is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, amenities available includes: swimming pool, basketball courts and standard gym equipment. Mr. Elsherif confirmed that separate locker rooms for men and women are available; fitness classes and Day care services are also available.**

**On motion of Secretary Vasquez, seconded by Vice President Campbell, and unanimously carried by the following vote, the Commission approved the aforementioned license:**

**Ayes:    3 -    President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée Campbell and Secretary Sara Vasquez**

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7. Hearing on application for Bingo Manager, Business License ID# 141723, to issue a new license to Steven M. Thomas of Leisure Lakes Recreation Club, located at 48303 20th St. W., Lancaster, CA 93534 in the Fifth District. (14-5287)

**Note: This item was discussed after President Afriat recommended approval of the minutes as a hearing officer (Agenda Item No. 2); the applicant agreed to proceed with the hearing.**

**Steven M. Thomas, representative for Leisure Lakes Recreation Club, provided an overview of the organization. Mr. Thomas explained that he is a resident of the Leisure Lakes Senior Mobile Home Park and bingo games are open to the public; however, the majority of participants are members from the senior mobile home park. Mr. Thomas indicated that he will serve as a substitute for the current bingo manager.**

**In response to questions posed by President Afriat, Mr. Thomas confirmed that proceeds are distributed to non-profit organizations and are also used towards mobile park amenities; he is aware of the Bingo Game Ordinance.**

**On motion of President Afriat, seconded by Secretary Vasquez, and unanimously carried by the following vote, the Commission approved the aforementioned license:**

**Ayes: 3 - President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée Campbell and Secretary Sara Vasquez**

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8. Hearing on application for Annual Dance/SC for the City of Santa Clarita, Business License ID# 136747 for Eusebio Preciado, Chief Executive Office of Preciado's Ballroom Dance Studios, located at 24811 Railroad Avenue, Suite A, Newhall, CA 91321 in the Fifth District. (14-5289)

**Rita Bowman, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that the application is for a Annual Dance business license, and the hearing is being held for the City of Santa Clarita. The applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals; the City of Santa Clarita has no objection to the issuance of the license.**

**Eusebio Preciado, Chief Executive Officer of Preciado's Ballroom Dance Studios, provided a brief overview of the business. Mr. Preciado indicated that the studio offers ballroom dance lessons such as latin and swing to patrons 35-85 years of age.**

**In response to questions posed by Vice President Campbell. Mr. Preciado indicated that the hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Sunday, 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and closed on Saturdays.**

**On motion of Vice President Campbell, seconded by Secretary Vasquez, and unanimously carried by the following vote, the Commission approved the aforementioned license:**

**Ayes: 3 - President Steven Afriat, Vice President Renée Campbell and Secretary Sara Vasquez**

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**III. REPORT****9. Commissioners' Comments. (14-5290)**

**The Commission reviewed the calendar for November and December and agreed to cancel the following meeting dates:**

**November 25 and December 3, 2014.**

**The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. and a special meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 21, 2014 at 9:00 a.m.**

**IV. MISCELLANEOUS****10. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (14-5291)**

**No members of the public addressed the Commission.**

**11. Adjournment for the meeting of November 19, 2014. (14-5292)**

**On motion of President Afriat, seconded by Secretary Vasquez, the Commission adjourned the meeting at 9:41 a.m.**